

Appl. No. 09/896,197
Supplemental Amendment and/or Response
Reply to Office action of 5 April 2005

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REMARKS

Claims 2-13 and 15-20 are pending in this application. Claim 14 is cancelled herein, and the dependent claims are correspondingly amended.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.116(b), after a final rejection or other final action in an application, amendments may be made canceling claims. The applicant respectfully maintains that this amendment adds no new matter, and does not require an additional search, because claim 18, which is rewritten³ herein in independent form, including all of the limitations of cancelled claim 14, has been fully examined and specifically addressed in the final Office action, at page 7, lines 2-5. Therefore, admittance of this amendment is respectfully requested, to place the application in better condition for allowance or appeal.

Respectfully submitted,



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